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Radiation experiments: revelations

--Have Susan Griffin write Hazel O'Leary; send her book, and xeroxed pages; investigate

--stories of nuclear tests involving prisoners or close-in troops;

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--Have author of book on Bikini go to DOE for further information;

bring this book, and any new data, to attention of Gensuikin for anniversary of Bikini;

have author attend Japanese anniversary observance;

go myself?

--Howard Rosenberg book, Atomic Soldiers: track down 11954 test; was it fusion? Likewise, have him pursue this.

--Saul Landau: rerun Paul Jacobs and the Nuclear Gang; check on survivors, get files; investigate death of Jacobs himself.

--Alperowitz, Shuman, Cortright: get 1995 Project on this.

--GET FRANK VON HIPPEL AND STAFF ON ALL THESE QUESTIONS.

--HAVE NATIONAL MOVEMENTS PRESS FOR THEIR COUNTRIES TO MATCH THESE REVELATIONS: RUSSIA; FSU; UK; FRANCE; CHINA; ALSO UNDECLARED NUC STATES: ISRAEL, PAKISTAN, INDIA...

--Theme: a) Bring out totally undemocratic process in **each** of these countries on the decision to initiate a nuclear program and all subsequent aspects;

b) including secrecy and unaccountability with respect to accidents, tests and human experimentation;

c) moreover, on command and control; plans, targetting...

d) Thus, a warning to all that might contemplate acquiring a nuclear force; among the risks of "deterrence", the costs of status...

--TRY TO MAKE THIS THE OCCASION FOR "CANDOR"

--bring history of Candor to the attention of: Hazel O'Leary, and staff; Congressional staffs, e.g., Goldstein/

stark, **Dellums**, Glenn, Biden, Hatfield...; Gibbons/Wales/von Hippel;

--Thus, collect references, write paper, memo, oped on Candor (see book on Ike by...Donovan?)

--Bring in: National Security Archive; FAS Secrecy Project; Whistleblowers Center;

--Strengthen and make full use of FOIA while we have Clinton; try to make this a major legacy;

use O'Leary; von Hippel; contacts;

--Make CANDOR, openness, transparency, a theme of CNPT (Paine, Leventhal, Luongo...

--and of MPII, especially! DE! Contrast with MPI--especially since MPI is implicated in radiation experiments.

Get statement from MP-I scientists! York; Seaborg; Garwin; etc.

--Talk to Wiesner; Tsipis; Cornell...

--Russia: Velikhov; Gorbachev/Garrison/Cranston (Dean)

--Get this out of Mitterand while he's in office: CANDOR! (Wiesner)

Note standard progression with covert program ("How evil gets done"):

Use of radiation, as well as hallucinogenic drugs, to alter behavior, in project MK/ULTRA, in CIA;

"At first they thought of it in defensive terms. But then they began to think of it as something they might use on the opposition."

Scott Breckenridge, CIA Deputy Inspector General in the '70's; NYT Jan 6, 1994, A8.

[cf: A-bomb as deterrent to Hitler; bio war, chem war; my suggestion to Harry Rowen as to how a "postpone the election of 1972" study might be done at RAND (on request to study "how to avoid having to postpone or avert the election);

--ask Bernard Malloy about this! Get Colby involved! wrt CIA experimentation.

--Get CANDOR in Russia while we've still got Yeltsin! Or is it too late for that? Kokoshin? Rogin/ Kortunov. Iakimets; Mirzayanov; Bukharin; Moscow PSR; Ukraine PSR. Ukraine can demand knowledge from Russia. (Or is it too late for Ukraine to want to be candid? Have they really forgotten Chernobyl? Candor would help those Ukrainians who really want to get rid of nucs, after exacting a price; who are these?)

--Discuss this with Steve Fetter; Jim Werner

--Go after comparable revelations about

--Plans, targetting

--Command and control; delegation; doomsday machines (Blair)

--First use threats

--Thus, discredit not only the weapons, and their use in war, but

nuclear decision-makers, and process of decisio

nuclear scientists (who do not come clean now, or denouce tests)

planning, threats

--the Milgram aspects are emphasized in today's NPT editorial: Nuclear Guinea Pigs. "There is no good excuse for some of the callous and cavalier radiation experiments performed on unsuspecting human patients in Government-sponsored studies from the 1940's to the 1970's. Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary had good reason to declare herself 'appalled, shocked and deeply saddened' after reviewing one such experiment.

"The information now emerging makes it clear that many scientists lacked the commonsensical fairness, honesty and compassion that is supposedly a hallmark of civilized humans; they had no qualms about endangering their patients and lying to them about it, with the blessings of the Federal Government. Even by the loose practices of the 1940's and 1950's, many studies clearly crossed the line into unethical behavior.

"The best evidence of that comes from the queasiness expressed by some of the scientists involved. [Note that to put this in writing makes an Insider a potential accuser of his colleagues of not only illegal but Nazi-like behavior]. ...in 1950, a radiation biologist warned that experiments on humans 'would have a little of the Buchenwald touch'..."

Not only did scientists not tell (what were in some cases "patients"--note Hippocratic oath) of the dangers, but they did not even pursue the scientific payoff of long-term follow-up to see if there were any adverse health effects! (like unscientific procedures of Nazi doctors).

--Thus, get Lifton and his Center onto this.

--Use publicity surrounding Schindler's List.

--Use this publicity to fund and mobilize Whistleblowing centers.

--NYT editorial refers to scientists from Manhattan Project, doing shocking experiment "from 1945 to 1947." This sounds like Los Alamos, not MP.

--Get Congressional and editorial praise for O'leary (as in NYT editorial).